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Examiner: K. Rice

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Docket No.: 103899

For: VEHICLE WHEEL SUSPENSION

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In further reply to the Notice of Allowability and Examiner's Amendment attached thereto and mailed on August 24, 2000, and to Supplement the Amendment After Allowance Under 37 C.F.R §1.312 filed October 12, 2000, please further amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 7 as follows:

Claim 7, line 13, change "wherein said" to --wherein at least one--; and

line 18, change "and/or" to --and--.

REMARKS

This Amendment follows and supplements the amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 filed on October 12, 2000 which clearly intended to amend claims 1 and 7 but only amended claim 1.

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Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1-7 as patentable subject matter and respectfully acknowledge the Examiner's amendments to claims 1 and 7.

However, Applicants found the Examiner's Amendment narrowed the claims unacceptably. Applicants have made additional changes to properly claim the invention as presented in claim 7 which was inadvertently omitted in the October 12 filed Amendment. The invention has at least one of the lower seat and the upper seat being tilted, i.e., the lower seat or the upper seat or both the lower and upper seats are tilted. The Examiner's Amendment does not recognize such a capability and is not correct or acceptable.

Should Examiner Rice believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in better condition for allowance, he is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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